control measures undertaken have resulted in bringing down incidence of malaria to 1.65 million cases during 1987 against 6 47 million cases in 1976.

(c) and (d) A long term proposal to control mosquitoes, especially diseases carrying mosquitoes through a number of pilot studies based on bio-environmental measures in different parts of the country is being implemented under aegis of ICMR.

The new method is through integrated vector control by utilising the appropriate combination of technology including environmental, biological control methods and use of insecticides based on local conditions.

Development of high speed electric locomotives

75. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have indigenously developed an electric locomotive which would be able to run passenger trains at the maximum speed of 160 kms per hour;

(b) if so, to what extent this maximum speed has been achieved and what is the present maximum speed of the Rajdhani trains; and

(c) what is the extent these new high speed locos developed by RDSO would help in moving the passenger trains more efficiently and quickly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Prototype Electric Locomotive developed indigenously is fit for running passenger trains carrying 9/10 coaches at maximum service speed of 140 kmph. Presently maximum speed of Rajdhani trains consisting of 16/18 coaches is 120 kmph.

(c) Deployment of such locomotives will help in increasing the maximum speed of selected trains.

Railway accident in Bombay

76. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:
SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI SHARAD YADAV:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) What are the details and the causes of the collision between the Secunderabad-bound Minar Express and Solapur bound Sidheswar Express in Bombay on the night of the 4th July, 198;

(b) what is the number of people killed and injured in the said accident and the relief provided to the killed and injured; the measures taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such accidents and the action taken against the persons responsible for the said accident; and

(c) what are the details of inquiry made by Government into the train mishap and the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) At about 22.15 hrs. on 4-7-1988, 101 Dn. Minar Express stopped between Byculla and Chinchpokli stations due to alarm chain pulling. Meanwhile, 323 Dn. Siddheshwar Express dashed against the rear of 101 Dn. and as a result 3 bogies of 101 Dn. derailed including 2 bogies capsized. The engine of 323 Dn. and bogie next to it also derailed.